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Docket No.: 016762.085-US01
(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Richard J. Collins, et al.

Application No.: 09/611,320

Group Art Unit: 3722

Filed: July 6, 2000

Examiner: W. Fridie

For: CARD WITH INCREASED GRIPABILITY

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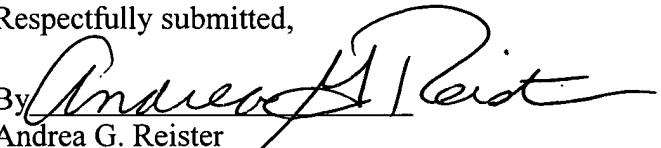
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2. Fee Transmittal;
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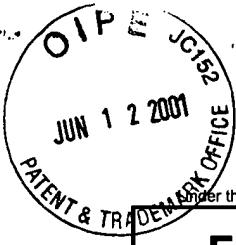
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| AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER | | | | Docket No. 016762.085-US01 | |
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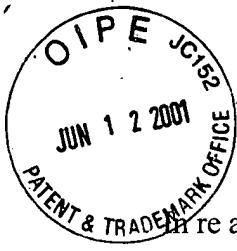
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| 109 | 80 | 209 | 40 | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent |
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 13, 2001, (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 5), Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0740 referencing docket number 16762.085.US01.

Amendments

In the Claims:

Please add the following new claims 14 through 33.

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14. (new) A credit-card-sized card comprising: a first face, a second face, and a tread comprising a plurality of raised dimples for improving the gripability of said card, wherein said plurality of raised dimples are disposed on one of said first and second faces, said one face coming into contact with a user to improve gripability.

15. (new) A card as in claim 14, further comprising a magnetic stripe.